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BOX PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Akira SAKAWAKI and Hiroshi SAKAI

MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, PRODUCTION PROCESS AND

APPARATUS THEREOF, AND MAGNETIC RECORDING AND

REPRODUCING APPARATUS Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.

Our Ref. Q63142



Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising sixty-one (61) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and nine (9) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	32 - 20	=	12	X	\$18.00	=	\$216.00
Independent claims	6 - 3	=	3	X	\$84.00	=	\$252.00
Base Fee		-					\$740.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee						\$280.00	

TOTAL FEE \$1488.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1488.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

Japan

2000-403307

December 28, 2000

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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